

Stephen Ellmann Memorial Clinical Scholarship Award

The Ellmann Memorial Clinical Scholarship Award is designed to recognize a scholar whose body of work exemplifies the values, vision and impact of the work of Stephen J. Ellmann, inaugural holder of the Martin Chair in Law at New York Law School. Steve began his career fighting racism with the Southern Poverty Law Center and began his clinical teaching at Columbia University in 1983. He co-founded the Clinical Law Review and the New York South Africa Reading Group. The author of four books and a plethora of other writings, he focused on the struggle against Apartheid and on clinical teaching. His smart, deeply researched and insightful work helped us imagine and understand a better world, both in and outside the law school classroom, less driven by racism, misogyny, inequality and brutality. Steve also founded the Clinical Theory Workshop in 1985. For more than 30 years, that forum has provided an insightful and supportive home for clinical scholars. It also was the model for other regional workshops that have nurtured so much clinical scholarship.

The award is given to mid-level scholar-teachers (10-25 years in the academy) whose career trajectory is dedicated to clinical and experiential teaching, whose written body of work evinces a concern for justice and a commitment to healing the world, and whose body of work emanates from their clinical commitments. Such commitments can be manifest in a myriad of ways including writing focused on experiential and clinical pedagogy as well in the many ways that those who teach in the field use their writing as one way to create justice and heal the world.

NOMINATION GUIDELINES: To ensure uniformity in the consideration of each candidate, the Committee requests that nominations adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Provide a nomination statement of no more than five pages describing why this person deserves the award, drawing particular attention to the scholarly contributions that occasion the nomination.
2. Include the nominee's current resume or curriculum vita which includes a list of the nominee's scholarship.
3. Provide two representative pieces of scholarship for the Committee to review.
4. Optionally, include up to four statements from people who are in a position to comment on the impact of the nominee's body of work, accomplishments and impact. These statements should be no more than four single-spaced pages long, exclusive of

signatures, which may be multiple. No more than 2 statements can come from the nominee's institution.

The Committee greatly appreciates nominations submitted as a single pdf file.

Please send your nominations by email (putting "Nomination for the Stephen Ellmann Award" in the subject line) on or before **5 pm PST on Monday, March 17, 2025** to: AALSAwards@gmail.com

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Past Recipients:

2020 Sameer Ashar (UC Irvine)
2021 Deborah Archer (NYU) and Rick Wilson (American)
2022 Not awarded
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